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GRANBY — Graduation ceremonies have been a little different throughout the region during the past two years, but the Granby High School Class of 2021 did have their opportunity to be together, without social distancing or masks last Saturday morning, or afternoon.

After uncertainty from the changing conditions, the class had to go through one more obstacle, a short rain delay, on its way to emerging from the school cafeteria and into the parking lot for their ceremony.

Principal Stephen Sullivan praised the class and the entire class for enduring so much during the pandemic era. He spoke about the difficult conditions, and the feelings of loss

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PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

The graduates enter the ceremony held in the GHS parking lot.

BELCHERTOWN

Voters approve bulk of articles

MELINA BOURDEAU
Staff writer

BELCHERTOWN — Voters at the Annual Town Meeting last weekend approved the FY22 budget, capital spending and Community Preservation Act funding for items including the Sportshaven Mobile Home Park.

Capital budget items

There were 13 capital budget item requests approved by the town. These included \$525,000 for radio communications equipment and infrastructure for the Fire Department, \$250,000 for living quarters upgrades at the Fire Station, \$150,000 for flooring replacement at Chestnut Hill Community School and others.

The total line-item request was \$1,626,000.

In the meeting, Town Administrator Gary Brougham told voters why the timing of the vote was imperative.

“Currently, bond rates are at an all-time low... it’s good business practice for the town to upgrade its facilities.”

Resident Bruce Officer said the voters spent a large sum of money on the budget and wanted to know how the town was going to fund the capital budget improvements.

“The town on a regular basis makes payments to the long term debt schedule we have several big-ticket items coming off our debt liability this year and next year,” Brougham said. “With the amount of long-term debt com-

ing off would be comparable to what the new liability would be. Currently, bond rates are at an all-time low...it’s good business practice for the town to upgrade its facilities.”

Brougham also explained the need for new living quarters at the fire station.

“The fire station in Belchertown as we know it today 20 plus years ago, the upstairs was never finished at the item we had a volunteer force which today is a full-time force with 18 full-time employees. They are currently working between two buildings, the old post office/police station/ EMS building and the current fire station which has all this (uninhabitable) space upstairs,” he said. “As the staff continues to grow, call volume continues to increase, we need more safe and hygienic places to prepare between calls.”

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Selectboard adopts remote meeting participation

MELINA BOURDEAU
Staff writer

BELCHERTOWN — Much like the changing policies and procedures at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, yet again the state is seeing daily changes as Gov. Charlie Baker’s emergency order is lifted.

As of Monday, June 14, Belchertown boards and committees will be required to meet in person once again in order to comply with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.

The Selectboard adopted the remote participation section of the OML, which outlines the ways in which members may participate remotely.

Acting chair of the evening, Selectboard member Jim Barry said the town chose not to endorse the policy until its meeting on Monday. Members adopted the section of the law unanimously.

“Two or three years ago, OML was amended so you could have remote participation by one or more members of a board as long as the person running the meeting was present to the public and a quorum was present in public,” Barry said. “The person or people who could not attend had a good reason for not attending.”

Virtual meetings, however, posed more of a challenge.

Town Clerk Terry Camerlin said as of midnight on June 15, virtual meetings was no longer allowed. While legislature to extend remote meetings has not been signed off on by Gov. Baker, boards and committees must hold their meetings in person.

“We have one committee that was scheduled to meet tomorrow, the Community Preservation Committee, were going to be

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■ COMMUNITY

BCTV fix takes two weeks

STAFF REPORT

BELCHERTOWN — Belchertown Community Television is officially back up and running at full capacity as of June 8.

BCTV Manager Lew Louraine said he was able to restart the radio for Channel 192 and Channel 193 on Tuesday, June 8.

A technical from Valley Communication started troubleshooting the Control Room Peg Vault. "That was the Peg Vault that Dan Beaudette was on when the lighting strike happened," Louraine said. "Previous tests on it after the strike had no video or audio. (The technician) discovered that the video cable had come unplugged; that was an easy fix. Nothing he tried though fixed the audio for that Peg Vault."

Louraine then went to the Town Hall and took the Peg Vault from the Room 104 (Planning Board Meeting Room) and installed that at the station.

Louraine's assessment of the total damage caused by the lightning strike was

- one broken audio mixer (\$100)
- one broken equalizer (\$150)
- one fried Peg Vault (\$4,000)



COURTESY PHOTO

EARLY MORNING ECLIPSE

Doug Moore of Belchertown captured this view of the 70% eclipsed sun rising over Belchertown at 5:33 a.m. on Thursday, June 10.

Belchertown Food Truck Fridays

STAFF REPORT

BELCHERTOWN — The Belchertown Historical Commission wants to know how COVID-19 impacted the lives of town residents. The commission has created a survey for the purpose of recording people's collective experiences.

Vice Chair Kevin Lynn says the survey will allow the Historical Commission to have a record in resident's own words, 'We have just lived through an historic time and documenting the impact on Belchertown is important to do now before memories fade.'

The survey can be found on the Historical Commission's website BelchertownHistory.com. It is limited to residents of Belchertown. At completion, survey results will be posted on the website for all to view.

The Belchertown Historical Commission is responsible for community-wide historic preservation planning. As part of town government it advises elected officials and other boards on historic preservation issues. Projects that come before the commission can include; the re-use of municipally owned historic buildings, master planning or preservation of historic landscapes.

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■ COMMUNITY

Drive movie night in June

STAFF REPORT

BELCHERTOWN — There will be a drive-in movie night hosted by the Belchertown Recreation Department sponsored by the Massachusetts and Belchertown Cultural Councils.

The event will be on Friday, June 25, parking will begin at 8:15 p.m.

You choose the movie, vote for which movie you would like to see between the following four selections:

- Tom and Jerry the Movie
- Disney's Soul
- Disney's Raya and the Last Dragon
- The Lego Batman Movie

Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C89VZ6C> to vote.

Voting ends on Friday, June 18 at 4 p.m. with the winner announced directly afterwards. Tickets will go on sale Saturday, June 19.

Join the community at the Belchertown High School parking lot (Access from 142 Springfield Road.)

The event costs \$10 per car for residents and \$15 per car for non-residents.

Bilingual Story Stroll at the GPL

GRANBY — Stop by the paths in front of the Granby Public Library to read "Isaac's Story" on behalf of Children's Mental Health from June 17 to 30. Walk in one direction to read in English and the other direction to read in Spanish.

For more information visit: <https://www.mass.gov/news/different-kinds-of-hurt-isaacs-story-sparking-conversation-about-childrens-mental-health>.

Multi-department effort educates public on water consumption

MELINA BOURDEAU

Staff writer

BELCHERTOWN — With family-friendly activities to learn about water supply protection, water conservation and the project to replace the Park Street Water Tank, the Belchertown Conservation Commission and Water District educated the public last Sunday.

"This is part of the education and outreach of the (MVP) grant, which ends on June 30," said Diane Mas, Chief Resilience Officer at Fuss and O'Neil. "Our hope is to raise awareness about water conservation in terms of the changing climate, whether or not you're part of the water district."

Mas said one of the effects of climate change include increased heat and high intensity rain events which will be make it more difficult for ground water to recharge.

With the Park St water tank out of service, the water district has been monitoring the system closely.

"We want to make sure we stay within our limits," he said. "The rain has been helping, you can see an immediate impact on the draw."

Activities included learning about the different water sources in town, various ways to save water and a water filtration experiment for children.

Belchertown Water District Superintendent Kevin Williams said he hoped people would see the water tower as an "eye opener."

"I hope people understand that conserving water will decrease our chances of a water ban," Williams said. "Anything that anyone can do to not use public drinking water to water their



PHOTOS BY MELINA BOURDEAU

(From right to left) Rep. Jake Oliveira (D-Ludlow), Fuss and O'Neill Chief Resilience Officer Diane Mas, Fuss and O'Neill Vice President Erik Mas, Belchertown Conservation Commissioner Erica Larner and Belchertown Water District Superintendent Kevin Williams were in attendance at the water conservation event last weekend.

lawns is helpful."

Different ways to conserve water include turning off the sink when brushing your teeth, collecting rainwater to water your garden and taking showers instead of baths.

This event is being conducted as part of the Town of Belchertown's FY21 Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program Action Grant — Enhancing Water Supply Reliability: Resilient Water Storage and Water Conservation Design & Implementation

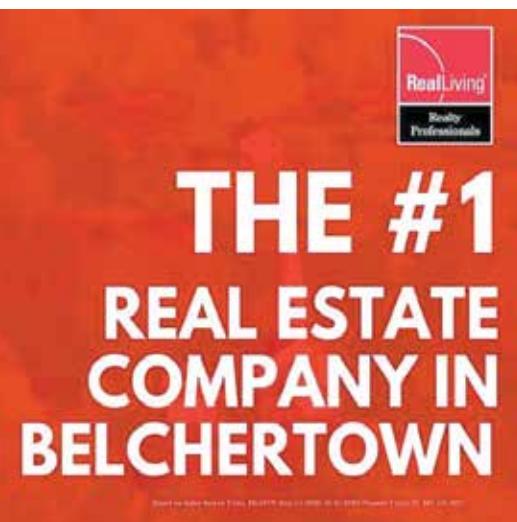
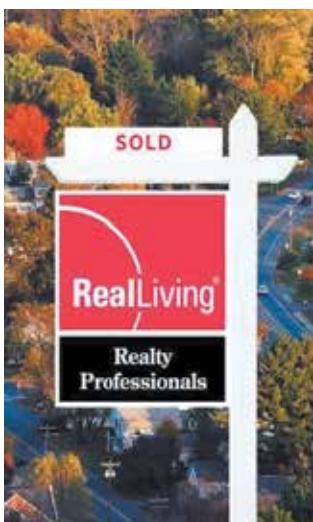


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Belchertown Conservation Commissioner Erica Larner met with a visitor



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■ COMMUNITY

Belchertown Community Television schedule

BELCHERTOWN – This is the upcoming schedule for Thursday, June 17 to Wednesday, June 23.

Thursday, June 17

- 8 a.m. – Selectboard – June 14
- 10 a.m. – Conservation Comm. – June 14
- 12 p.m. – BEDIC – June 16
- 7 p.m. – Selectboard – June 14
- 9 p.m. – Conservation Comm. – June 14
- 11 p.m. – BEDIC – June 16

Friday, June 18

- 8 a.m. – Conversation with Pakman
- 9 a.m. – Conserve Water Efforts in Belchertown
- 10 a.m. – Meadow Walk
- 7 p.m. – Conversation with Pakman
- 8 p.m. – Conserve Water Efforts in Belchertown
- 9 p.m. – Meadow Walk

Saturday, June 19

- 8 a.m. – Curious Giraffe
- 9 a.m. – Conserve Water Efforts in Belchertown
- 10 a.m. – Meadow Walk

Sunday, June 20

- 4:30 p.m. – St. Francis Roman Catholic Church
- 6 p.m. – Christ Community Church
- 7 p.m. – Hope United Methodist Church



Monday, June 21

- 8 a.m. – Conversation with Pakman
- 5 p.m. – Conversation with Pakman
- 6:30 p.m. – Selectboard – Channel 191

Tuesday, June 22

- 8 a.m. – Curious Giraffe
- 9 a.m. – Conserve Water Efforts in Belchertown
- 10 a.m. – Meadow Walk
- 6:30 p.m. – School Committee – Channel 192
- 7 p.m. – Planning Board – Channel 191

Wednesday, June 23

- 8 a.m. – Conversation with Pakman
- 1 p.m. – Mediation with Lori – Conscious Breathing
- 7 p.m. – Conversation with Pakman

The BCTV Studio is located at 68 State St., Belchertown. BCTV channels are 191, 192 and 193. The BCTV schedule is available at www.Belchertown.org. On the main title page select "residents," click on Belchertown Community Television. Selected BCTV shows are also available on Vimeo. Go to www.Belchertown.org, go to quick links and click on "watch meetings and events online." The schedule is subject to change.

The BCTV weather information system is broadcast on TV channel 193 and displays the current weather conditions at the BCTV station as well as, the current regional radar. This service operates 24 hours a day with audio provided by the National Weather Service from Albany New York, with forecasts, storm and emergency warnings for the Pioneer Valley.

MFBF launches scholarship program for non-traditional members

MARLBOROUGH – The Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation is now accepting applications for its first-ever, non-traditional membership scholarship, which is available online at <https://mfbf.net/news/mfbfs-nontraditional-member-scholarship/>.

The intent of this scholarship program is to receive input into the organization's policy development program from commercial farmers who are not traditionally members. Examples of non-traditional members include urban farmers, new entry farmers, immigrant farmers and more.

"Farm Bureau membership has always been open to everyone, how-

ever, one of the biggest barriers to joining can be approaching a group of people where you know no one," said MFBF President Mark Amato. "By creating this scholarship program and in turn a cohort program for the recipients, we hope to break down those walls and introduce non-traditional members to our current members in an environment where the new people are comfortable. In turn, we hope to see the scholarship recipients bring in other, non-traditional members to provide input on our policy process and expand our membership."

Scholarship recipients will receive a scholarship membership into the organization (valued at \$225) for one

year and will be expected to complete an orientation webinar, a mid-year survey, and participate in one county-level policy event.

"The feedback that we get during the Farm Bureau policy development process can have national impact," Amato said. "We need all types of farmers involved in this process and value all input. I'm looking forward to seeing this scholarship bring new ideas to the table."

The deadline to apply is July 31, and applications will be reviewed by a committee of MFBF board of directors. This scholarship was made possible through a grant from American Farm Bureau Federation.

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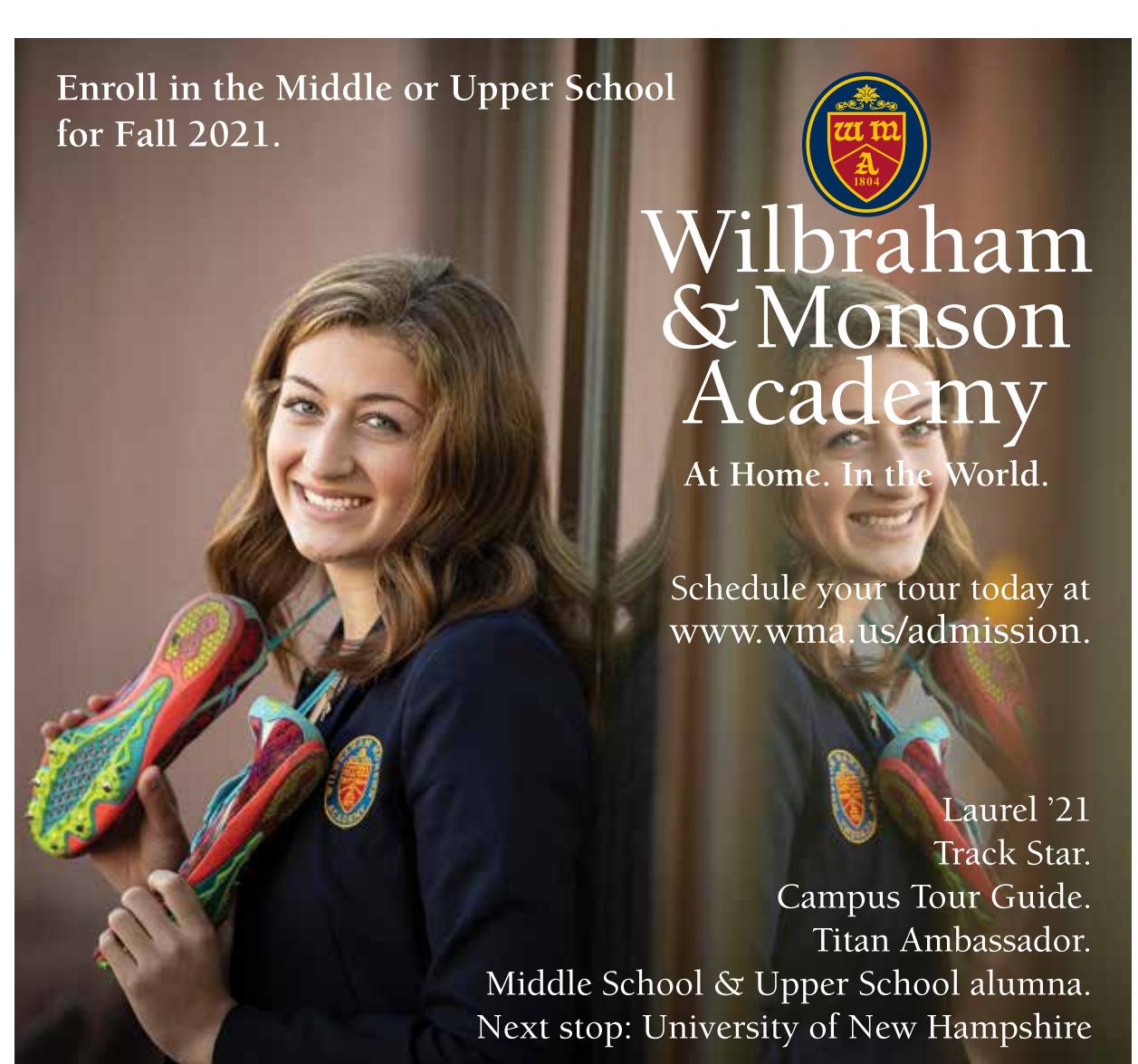
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■ COMMUNITY

Belchertown Senior Center to have soft opening

B E L C H E R T O W N — The Belchertown Council on Aging is excitedly preparing for a soft opening of the building to begin on July 1.

There will be limited programming available and Social Services by appointment only. No congregate meals will be offered until further notice.

The center requests that only those community members attending offered programming or appointments come to the building. All staff is in the building full time, ready to answer questions. All details regarding the soft opening can be found on the Belchertown Senior Center Facebook page, in the July newsletter, and on their website.

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meeting virtually but the memo also stated those meeting (agendas) have to be changed and have an amended agenda (posted) that committee will now be meeting in person," she said. "This could change daily, this will be a day at a time adjustment...what is likely going to happen is that (Baker will) extend the full virtual meetings like you've all been doing until Sept. 1. If it does pass, we can go back to virtual again and or if it does not pass, all meetings have to be in person."

For each day the legislation does not pass, meetings will need to be held in person.

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He said the list includes the former Franklin School, which has been officially resurfaced by the town, there is radio equipment in the attic of the building which will be moved to a new location.

"As soon as we can relocate that equipment, we will put that building up for sale and the town will benefit from the sale," Brougham said. "It is currently unoccupied...It would be a great time to eliminate the maintenance and budgetary expenses."

The highway garage roof coating will be \$30,000 to recoat the 40-year-old metal roof.

Two items for a total of \$40,000 will be for sprinkler replacements at two former Belchertown State School buildings.

Brougham said it was unclear if the original fire suppression systems in the unoccupied space were a part of the original system when the buildings were constructed

BJC to host 'Spark Pride' event

B E L C H E R T O W N — The Belchertown Justice Collaborative is excited to announce our next community project!

"Spark Pride" is a community centered art project about celebrating the complex and diverse identities in Belchertown. This project includes two parts—murals painted on electrical boxes in town, and a "Pride Zine" (an online magazine). But, in order to make these projects happen, the BJC needs community participation with painted electrical boxes and a magazine that will be shared widely online with the community.

The BJC will be hosting an event on the Belchertown Common on Friday, June 18 from 4 to 8 p.m.

And if you want to submit art, you can submit at the event on the 18, message us on Facebook or Instagram (@btownjustice) or email at belchertownjusticecollab@gmail.com.

The deadline to submit your design ideas is July 2. Both art collaborations will be made up entirely of art produced by community members as a way to honor and share the voices in the community.

The BJC is looking for community members to submit art, photographs, writing and materials that they want to see included in a magazine or on a mural. Once you submit the BJC will select finalists, and then the town will have a chance to vote for the images or words they most want to see put on the boxes!

The group seeks to honor often uncelebrated identities in town, and celebrate all races, religions, gender identities, sexual orientations, and cultural heritages.

We are open to images and materials created by people of all ages, from an old and important family photograph that represents your culture, to a crayon drawing done by a young student reflecting on their own identity. Send us art, words, and images that represent the theme of "Spark Pride:

in the 1920s, but they are failing and need replacement.

Voters supported the article by majority a vote.

The town also opted to purchase a new fire platform/ladder truck for \$1.7 million and approved borrowing to reconstruct the parking lot behind Belchertown Town Hall.

Sportshaven Mobile Home Park

Voters also approved a \$100,000 allocation from the Community Preservation Housing Fund to rebuild the drinking water system and/or wastewater.

Resident Thomas Barry asked if the park was going to be legally certified and operating so that the town wasn't going to "give people money who will not be paying into the tax."

Brougham said the infrastructure fell out of repair at the park years ago, which caused the Board of Health to refuse to renew the license. The park has been



COURTESY PHOTO

The Belchertown Justice Collaborative is hosting an art creation event on Friday, June 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. on the Belchertown Common.

Identity, Culture, and Community" to you!

This project will be finished and released during the summer of 2021 to

celebrate Belchertown LGBTQIA+ and community pride.

support the article with her tax dollars.

"This is a community that is in need of support. They have the most active tenants' association we've seen in the years. This has been going on for many years and many state and local agencies are involved," Gramarossa said. "This is the best opportunity with state money, agencies collaborating, with an active motivated tenants' association, technology and resources to provide basic public health we're all entitled to. This community has suffered from poor drinking water issues for years, they have done the best they can."

Resident Mike Hofler said he found the present conditions of the water were "unconscionable."

"When I brush my teeth, I'm not worried about the quality of water I have. It's unconscionable to have 50 families in this families in this town that don't have the ability to do that," he said.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Celebrate Juneteenth!

This year, for the first time, Massachusetts will celebrate Juneteenth, June 19, as an official state holiday. The holiday commemorates the day in 1865 when Union soldiers of Gen. Gordon Granger occupied Galveston, Texas, the state's largest city, and proclaimed to the enslaved people there that they were free. Outside of Texas, the Civil War had been over for months, but the last vestiges of the Confederacy continued to wage a failing and desperate guerilla war. Among the troops sent to quell disturbances in Texas that month was the 5th U.S. Colored Cavalry, which included Belchertown resident William H. Freeman. Freeman would remain in Texas until the unit was mustered out of service on Oct. 31 of that year. He then returned to Belchertown.

From its origins after the Civil War, the Juneteenth holiday has grown from a mostly-Texas event celebrated by African Americans to one with a wider appeal, as the nation comes to terms with its original sin. Many people in many parts of the country now enjoy the day with picnics, barbecue, fireworks, and sweet, red drinks. Others prefer a more somber approach, using the occasion to remember and honor those who suffered under slavery. The red drinks symbolize the blood shed by those enslaved.

Even though this holiday may be new to the Commonwealth, it is a chance for all of us to recognize those whose courage and sacrifice brought about the end of sanctioned slavery and to resist the efforts of some to erase our nation's uncomfortable history.

While many might be tempted to see this holiday as only for people of African descent, or with relevance only in the south, we should use this day to remind ourselves that slavery lived here in Massachusetts, as well. Before we get smug about Massachusetts being the first state to abolish slavery, remember that Massachusetts Bay Colony was the first to encode slavery in its laws with the so-called "Body of Liberties," passed in 1641. At least as early as 1638, enslaved people were brought to the shores of our Commonwealth. Here in the Connecticut River Valley, many of our prominent families owned individuals. Many ministers, including Rev. Jonathan Edwards, were slave owners. Much of New England's economy was connected to the slave trade or to products harvested by slave labor, particularly sugar.

Jonathan Belcher, colonial Governor of Massachusetts Bay and our town's namesake, owned enslaved people. Letters from 1731 and 1732 show that Belcher, a good friend of slave merchant Isaac Royall, Sr., requested his friend send him boys "who would be tractable and good upon all accounts," to be trained as coachmen. In June of 1732, he wrote to Royall, "the last Negro boy you sent me proves a good one, and when you send the other...being for a Coachman, let him be from 16 to 20 [years old]."

The Dwight family, too, owned enslaved people. As late as 1790, a runaway advertisement appeared in the Hampshire Gazette over the name of Elijah Dwight, of Belchertown, seeking the return of "Joseph Robbins, a molatto or Indian, sold to me by authority."

There is much new scholarship and many projects are underway as part of our country's current reckoning with its past. Some local historical societies, including Belchertown's, are currently engaged in recovering, documenting, and sharing information about slavery and early Black lives in the Connecticut River Valley. For those who are interested, there is a wealth of information available on the subject at the project's website: <https://blogs.umass.edu/pvhn-blackhistory>

So, Juneteenth gives us all an opportunity to recognize, in whatever way you find appropriate, the march of our nation and our Commonwealth toward a more free and just society.

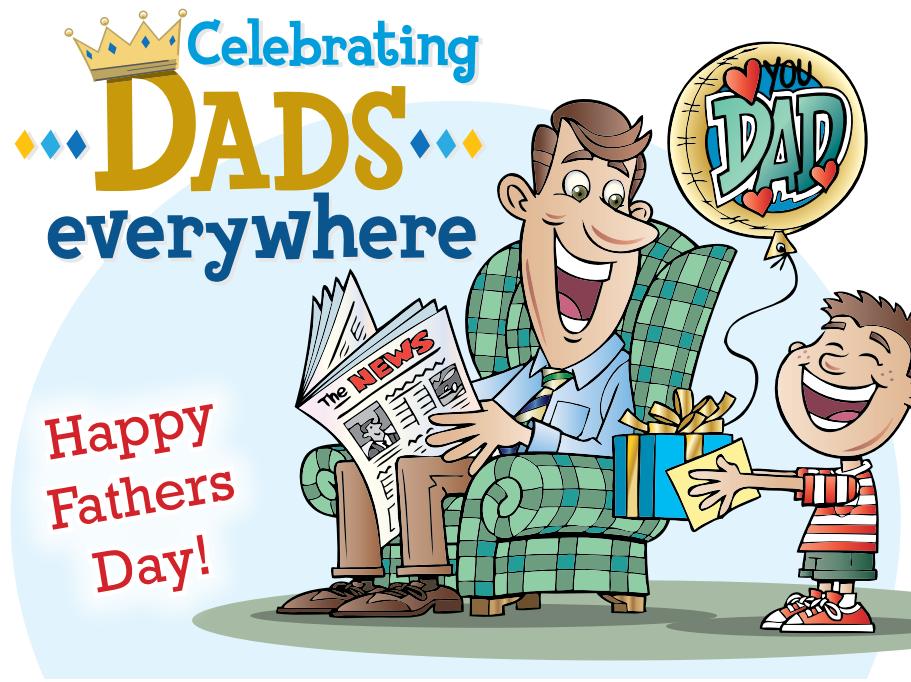
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LETTER

Regarding Quabbin Valley Disc Golf

Dear Editor,

At Belchertown's Annual Town Meeting Saturday, June 12, there was discussion over Article 32. A Citizens Petition requesting the town move the location of a planned Disc Golf Course. During the discussions, the petitioner mentioned there is a private corporation that will be running the new disc golf course – Quabbin Valley Disc Golf, Inc. The manager of the town's recreation department responded to this claim that this was just a group of individuals who got together and called themselves Quabbin Valley Disc Golf, Inc. and that the recreation department will retain full control.

I support Belchertown building a new Disc Golf Course as well as Quabbin Valley Disc Golf, Inc. The petitioner was also supportive. I do understand the concerns of the several abutters. This corporation is non-profit with the purpose of engaging in the following: "to promote and carry out the introduction and growth of, and to increase the visibility of, the sport of disc golf to the general public in the Quabbin Valley by among other things, sponsoring leagues and tournaments, engaging local youth organizations and

municipal recreation departments, to provide education and resources to teach the sport of disc golf to area youth and others, and to promote the creation and implementation of course improvements, expansion, and maintenance, in furtherance of the foregoing. To conduct such other activities and programs in furtherance of the foregoing purposes as may be carried out by a corporation."

As described in this listing found on the MA Corporations webpages, this organization was formed to utilize the new recreation facility by supporting leagues, sponsoring tournaments as well as implementing improvements, expansion, and maintenance. This sounds like a very good use of recreation land and good for Belchertown. This, however, lends to the petitioners concerns as it seems the Recreation Department will control the actual property yet Quabbin Valley Disc Golf, Inc. will be controlling many activities that take place there. It seemed this point was not made clear during the explanation. Hopefully when this is complete it will be done in a manner that is best for the Town of Belchertown as a community.

Respectfully,

Brian Gibbons

GUEST COLUMN

Observations here and there

It was fun to take a mini-vacation this past week! However, I have to admit that was weird to leave a newly-installed garden and a hen sitting on eggs in the care of my trusty house-sitter, especially with the mercury soaring the way it did. I came home to a garden that looked great and no chicks, yet...

Here are some observations from both during and after my vacation.

The vacation house had a major bunny problem. The owner installed a number of native plants to encourage pollinators and the rabbits seem to find most palatable. A small fence was installed around the perennials off the porch, but the new blueberries and serviceberry have been clear cut of anything rabbit height or less. Most of the shrubs in the mixed border have an umbrella-like appearance, with woody stems down low and growth at the top only.

I recommended switching up the repellents to keep the bunnies away, and this comes from personal experience. At the old house I never had a problem with rabbits in my garden until after the dog died. It would be safe to assume that "the marking of his territory" had something to do with my good fortune. Outside of dog urine, there are lots of other deterrents out there that folks swear by. One is dried blood. The



Roberta McQuaid

smell signals danger. To be effective it must be reapplied each week as well as after it rains. You can either sprinkle a narrow band around the perimeter of the border or place containers of it in the garden. Dried blood is a nitrogen fertilizer and is available at most garden centers. It will burn sensitive plants if applied directly on top of them, so sprinkle it a few inches away from the base. Along the same line would be ammonia sprays.

I have also heard of different home brews that you may or may not want to whip up in your blender. One consists of garlic, hot peppers and marigold leaves; maybe this combination would work better than the other tactics already tried. Again, these would need to be replenished periodically and switched on occasion to keep the scent new and dangerous.

I visited a couple of great nurseries on Cape Cod. The hydrangeas they sell there are amazing, and it was oh, so tempting to bring one home. Unfortunately, I had just bought one a month ago that was advertised to be good and hardy, but not the blue I had wanted. More of a purple-blue. It was neat to come home and see that the advice I had given others for many

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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Comments on Congress

Can the U.S. sustain the international order?

LEE H. HAMILTON
Guest columnist

We don't often think that how the U.S. conducts itself at home has much impact on how we face the world, but it does. You'd be amazed at how closely people in countries all over the globe follow events here and count on the United States to lead the way. When it's messy at home, it's hard to sustain the strength and readiness to turn our attention outward.

Doing so is especially important right now because what we've come to term "the international order" is under stress. It's not collapsing by any means, but U.S. leadership faces challenges and if we're divided and unsettled at home, it will be much more difficult to respond appropriately. What is the international order? It's essentially the set of structures and values that evolved during the 20th century to resolve disputes, promote commerce and free trade, undergird economic development and investment, further contacts and exchanges between nations and their citizens, and protect human rights. It's based on mutually-negotiated rules and initiatives that, in a well-functioning world, are promoted by institutions such as the UN, the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, the World Trade Organization, the World Health Organization, and others. These days, though, it's fair to say that there's no aspect of the

order we once took for granted that isn't at least facing questions. This is in part because, at the moment, both China and Russia are asserting their interests and, often, working actively to undermine ours. At the same time, the U.S. role is less prominent than it once was. Our allies, especially after the four years of the Trump administration, are uncertain of our commitment to global leadership given that we questioned longtime alliances, withdrew from institutions, pulled out of international accords, and in general pulled back from the web of alliances and agreements that we had helped shape in earlier years. Understandably, our friends and allies wonder how much they can count on us and our adversaries are eager to test us.

At the same time, forces beyond the control of any government are reshaping the global picture. Nationalism is stronger, conflicts between countries seem to be ratcheting up, and many societies are struggling with growing diversity, declining tolerance, and a turn toward authoritarianism. On the whole, international power is less concentrated and more widely distributed, which presents challenges to global institutions and makes it more difficult to pursue much-needed reforms within them.

In this situation, it's crucial that democracies such as the U.S., Europe, Japan, and Canada recognize the importance of the role they play in sustaining and revitalizing the international order. It's by no means a given that it can endure, but the democracies have an advantage: for many people around the world, the more authoritarian alternatives

are not especially appealing. Even so, the work of strengthening the world order will require a concerted effort that blends both cooperation and firmness. We have to strengthen our alliances of course, as well as shore up and broaden arms control efforts. Counteracting authoritarianism in all its facets will be an ongoing challenge. And we need constantly to gauge how best to be a benign world power, helping to resolve conflicts and slow to use force—not ruling it out, but relying on it wisely and only when necessary.

Finally, as I suggested at the beginning, our strength on all these fronts will come from making sure that we are strong at home: that our economy is robust, our finances and debt are manageable, our elections are fair and well run, our infrastructure is revitalized, we invest in the future of our businesses through research and development, and we invest in the future of the American people by focusing attention on education and skills development. If we can do all that, then we will have earned the right to lead the world in navigating the challenges facing the international order.

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years actually worked. By adding sulfur to the edges of the planting hole my new hydrangea is turning a lovely shade of blue. Yay! I am honestly amazed at how quickly the changeover took place. If you'd rather a pink toned hydrangea, raise the pH of the soil by sprinkling a couple of cups of dolomitic lime around the base of the plant once or twice throughout the growing season. A higher pH will prevent aluminum from being drawn up by the plant; aluminum has a bluing effect on the flowers of this particular type of hydrangea (H. macrophylla). Likewise, hydrangeas absorb more aluminum from acidic soil, so to make pink hydrangeas blue, do as I did and add sulfur to the soil around hydrangeas in the spring.

Another thing I came home to was sad peppers. You don't have to be a pepper psycholo-

gist to make an assessment as to why. First, they were planted during unseasonably warm mid-May weather, only to have temperatures plummet into the high 30s at night. Then, no less than a week later, we have August-like temperatures and a drought. So why are the pepper plants pale and pathetic? Probably all of the above and then some. I will likely give them some fish and seaweed emulsion and hope that they can transition to healthy plants as the temperatures and moisture moderate. Let's hope they do, anyway!

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POLICE LOGS

Belchertown Police

Editor's note: The following are brief explanations of select entries in the Belchertown Police log and arrests for the weeks of June 2 through June 8. The information was provided by a member of the police department based on the review of the detailed log summary. This feature is designed to provide context and explanation to some of the calls police respond to every day. Of the 313 calls police responded to, there were 12 incidents, two accidents, nine arrest/summons and 11 citations.

ARRESTS/SUMMONS

Thursday, June 3

6:35 a.m. – A 29-year-old male was issued a summons for assault and battery on a family member. Officers got a call reporting a past incident of assault and battery and the suspect left the scene. There was probable cause for a summons to be issued. Another agency was notified for a “be on the look out” order for the person. An officer was able to make contact with the person to issue a summons.

A 33-year-old female was issued a summons for assault and battery on a family member.

Saturday, June 4

2:53 p.m. – A 25-year-old Belchertown man was issued a summons for an uninsured vehicle, attaching plates and unregistered motor vehicle.

An officer responded to a State St business for minor two car accident. On scene, they saw two vehicles and people were exchanging information. In the process of running plates and exchanging information, the officer determined one vehicle's plates came back as revoked for no insurance. The party said they pur-

chased the vehicle about a week ago and attached the plates temporarily. A citation was issued and the vehicle was towed from the scene. A summons was issued.

Tuesday, June 8

10:23 a.m. – A 74-year-old Belchertown man was issued a summons for simple assault. An officer responded to a complex in reference to an incident involving an employee and a resident. The resident reportedly was aggressive toward staff including cursing and derogatory comments. They were issued a summons accordingly.

ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS

Wednesday, June 2

4:49 a.m. – Officers responded to Franklin St for a single vehicle accident. One vehicle was traveling south on Franklin St when a deer entered the roadway. The operator had no time to react before striking the deer. There was damage to the front bumper of the vehicle. The vehicle was able to be driven from the scene. There is no status on the deer.

10:05 a.m. – Officers responded to apartment complex to speak with individual in regard to damage to a vehicle. There was a history of past vandalism and they thought their neighbor may have been involved. The reporting party wanted the incident on file.

4:25 p.m. – Officers took a report of fraud. The party got an email from a friend from an email address they didn't recognize. The emailer claimed to be in the hospital and to get help the reporting party needed to get gift cards for a birthday gift. The reported party was later asked to make another expenditure, which is when they realized they had been scammed. They contacted their bank and fraud department. The incident is on file.

8:33 p.m. – Officers responded to a Federal St residence for reported neighbor who walked over holding a knife. The officers spoke with the reporting party who said they heard their neighbor banging on the wall. The neighbor then walked over to toward the person with a knife by their side. All officers on shift responded to the scene. The knife was not raised, nor were threats made. The involved party answered seemed to be confused, said didn't have the knife with them upon officers' arrival. The party admitted they walked over to their neighbor's with a knife in their hand because felt defensive and needed to protect someone.

Thursday, June 3

1:05 p.m. – An officer responded to a Turkey Hill Rd business for report of a person who had a wallet stolen from their vehicle. They were inside of the business when someone entered the unlocked vehicle and stolen their wallet. There are no suspects at this time. The matter is under investigation.

Saturday, June 4

4:19 a.m. – Officers responded to an accident on Warner St. A vehicle traveling south on Warner looked down to shift gears, striking a tree. There was damage to the front passenger's side of the vehicle and the driver's side airbag deployed. At the time of the accident it was dark and foggy. No injuries were reported.

Monday, June 7

7:44 p.m. – Officers responded to assist Belchertown fire and paramedics.

9:15 p.m. – Officers responded to North Main St for a report of a male party threatening someone with a firearm. The reporting party said a male walked towards them. The officers located the involved man, did a pat frisk and no weapons were located

on their person. The reporting party said they called because they were told to shut up, and was told they stole money from the person. All parties were told to avoid each other and were advised of how to get a harassment order.

Tuesday, June 8

5:20 p.m. – A Belchertown resident who works out of town reported receiving harassing phone calls at their place of employment after terminating an employee. A report was filed in the community in which the reporting party works.

Granby Police

Editor's Note: The Granby Police Department responded to 163 calls for the week of June 4 through June 10. Those arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. All information is provided by the Granby Police Department.

Saturday, June 5

3:17 p.m. – Officers investigated property damage done at Soft Touch Auto Wash.

5:30 p.m. – Officers investigated a motor vehicle accident on Carver St. The operator drove off the roadway and caused property damage.

Monday, June 7

3:59 p.m. – Officers investigate motor vehicle accident involving two vehicles on East State St. No injuries were reported.

Tuesday, June 8

3:41 p.m. – Officers investigate motor vehicle accident involving three vehicles on New Ludlow Rd. No injuries were reported.

Baystate announces changes to its visitor policy

SPRINGFIELD – Baystate Health, which opened its inpatient units and emergency departments to visitation at all Baystate hospitals on May 3, announced June 2 that it has extended visitation to include all of its Baystate Medical Practices and outpatient services such as imaging, radiology and lab.

Beginning today, all Baystate Medical Practices and outpatient services throughout the health system will allow for:

• One visitor to accompany patient.

“For example, that means a support person may now accompany pregnant patients to their ultrasound appointment to learn about their baby together,” said Nancy Rines, MSN, RN, NE-BC, director, Women’s Services and Baystate Children’s Hospital.

For more information on obstetrics guidelines, visit baystatehealth.org/patients/visiting.

The changes reflect a decrease of COVID-19 cases in the community and the increasing number of people who are now vaccinated against the virus.

Red (persistently), yellow (high risk), green (moderate risk) and gray (low risk) threat tiers (also called zones) still remain for visitation based on the CDC, DPH and state guidelines, but the policy details within the tiers will change. The tiers – also referred to as zones – are based on the number of COVID-19 positive patients in a city or town and how prevalent the virus is.

All Baystate Hospitals, Baystate Medical Practices and outpatient services are now in the green tier - including Baystate Medical Center and Baystate Children's Hospital in Springfield, Baystate Franklin Medical Center in Greenfield, Baystate Noble Hospital in Westfield, and Baystate Wing Hospital in Palmer. As previously

announced on May 3, they allow for:

- one visitor at a time for patients who are not in the ICU
- two visitors at a time for patients in the ICU
- two parents or guardians at a time for pediatric patients.

Hospital visiting hours are from noon to 8 p.m.

All visitors must adhere to Baystate Health infection control practices that are in effect throughout the health system: wearing facemasks, frequent handwashing, maintain physical/social distance of six feet as possible, and no shared food sources.

Baystate Health will continue to review the county data and CDC/DPH/State guidelines weekly to determine which tier each county will be in. To stay up to date and see exceptions for each tier, go to baystatehealth.org/patients/visiting.

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Remembering a Pioneer: Exploring the Legacy of Dr. Lester Grinspoon

AMHERST — The Special Collections and University Archives, UMass Amherst Libraries, are hosting an [online event](#) to honor Dr. Lester Grinspoon (June 24, 1928 - June 25, 2020) on Thursday, June 24, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The event, a conversation among experts and activists mentored and inspired by Dr. Grinspoon, will focus on his life, activism, and work, including his groundbreaking research on cannabis use, psychedelics, and other drugs, in the 50th-anniversary year of his book *Marihuana Reconsidered*.

This free virtual event, on what would have been Dr. Grinspoon's 93rd birthday, will formally launch a [campaign to raise funds](#) to process and digitize the [Lester Grinspoon Papers](#), one of the major collections related to drug policy and social change held in Special Collections and University Archives, UMass Amherst Libraries.

It will feature an expert group of people who knew Grinspoon and drew inspiration from him:

Richard M. Evans, Esq. (moderator), a western Massachusetts lawyer since 1973, authored the

first comprehensive cannabis regulation/taxation plan introduced as legislation in any state. In the 1990s, while serving on NORML's board of directors, he was the moving force behind the organization's Principles of Responsible Cannabis Use, now adopted worldwide.

Rick Doblin, Ph.D., is the founder and executive director of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies and has been researching uses of cannabis and psychedelics for 35 years. He received his doctorate in Public Policy from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, where he wrote his dissertation on the regulation of the medical uses of psychedelics and marijuana and his master's thesis on a survey of oncologists about smoked marijuana vs. the oral THC pill in nausea control for cancer patients.

Peter Grinspoon, M.D., is a primary care physician and cannabis specialist at Massachusetts General Hospital, an instructor at Harvard Medical School, a certified health and wellness coach, and a member of the board of directors of Doctors for Cannabis Regulation.

Staci Gruber, Ph.D., director

of the Cognitive and Clinical Neuroimaging Core at McLean Hospital's Brain Imaging Center and associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, has studied the impact of recreational cannabis use on the brain for more than two decades.

Allen St. Pierre '89 currently serves as board chair for the California-based cannabis cultivation company Cypress. An alumnus of UMass Amherst, where he majored in legal studies, Mr. St. Pierre was instrumental in the development of SCUA's drug policy archival collections. He lives on Cape Cod with his wife and two children.

Genester Wilson-King, M.D., is a board-certified obstetrician and gynecologist with more than 20 years of clinical experience. She is vice president of the Society of Cannabis Clinicians, a nonprofit that works to empower and educate healthcare providers on the use of cannabis medicine, author of two modules in the new SCC Cannabis Clinicians Training Curriculum, and co-director of the Training Curriculum.

This event is a prelude to a larger event scheduled for June 24, 2022.

COVID-19 testing at HCC extended through September, location to shift June 1

HOLYOKE — Free "Stop the Spread" COVID-19 testing at Holyoke Community College has been extended through September 2021, according to the Holyoke Board of Health.

Drive-through testing at HCC is conducted six days a week in parking lot H near the western entrance to the Donahue Building on the college's main campus, 303 Homestead Ave.

However, effective June 1, 2021, testing will move to Parking Lot M by the Bartley Center for Athletics & Recreation on the opposite side of campus.

Wait times for tests are not

nearly as long as they used to be, according to site administrators, with only a handful of vehicles lined up at the busiest times.

HCC has been serving as a "Stop the Spread" drive-through testing site since last August to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Drivers are asked to enter the campus from Homestead Avenue, turn left onto the Campus Road and proceed to parking lot H (or to parking lot M after June 1). There are signs and parking attendants on site to help guide traffic.

The HCC testing site is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and

Saturday from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.; and Tuesday and Thursday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Testing is free to all Massachusetts residents and conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis. There are no appointments and no referral is necessary. Turnaround time for results is typically four days or fewer.

Testing may sometimes be cancelled due to inclement weather. Be sure to visit the Holyoke Board of Health website for up-to-date information on cancellations:

<https://www.holyoke.org/departments/board-of-health>

Monson nonprofit offering family travel grants

MONSON — Now that travel is making a comeback, many families are busy planning their next big adventure. Unfortunately, for those constrained by financial or other limitations, the dream may seem impossible.

"This past year has wreaked havoc on so many families," says Amanda Renna, Founder & CEO at Travelnitch. "But let's be honest, even pre-COVID, travel is a luxury that many cannot afford."

Travelnitch is working to change this, according to Renna. The nonprofit organization, based in Western Massachusetts, is committed to making the travel lifestyle more accessible for those who feel it's out of reach. While Travelnitch is focused on virtual travel as a way of inspiring little explorers, Renna feels strongly that there is no substitute for the real thing.

"Travel is an opportunity

for families to learn and grow together. It teaches kids adaptability and introduces them to people and places different from what they are accustomed to. Travel can be a really powerful tool for raising strong and compassionate kids," Renna said. To make travel a more attainable goal for all families Travelnitch is now offering Family Travel Grants. Income-eligible households can apply for financial

assistance to cover the cost of virtual tours, cultural excursions, and family daycations. The program is currently funded through generous support from individual donors, many of whom are avid travelers themselves. "People who share our passion for travel understand its value, and they want to share that experience with the next generation," Renna hopes to raise even more money to provide

weekend getaway grants as well. To learn more about Travelnitch or to apply for a Family Travel Grant, visit travelnitch.org/grants. We also ask that you consider a gift to support this and other meaningful programs that inspire kids at home and beyond. Donations can be made online at travelnitch.org/donate or by mailing a check to Travelnitch, P.O. Box 284, Monson, MA 01057.



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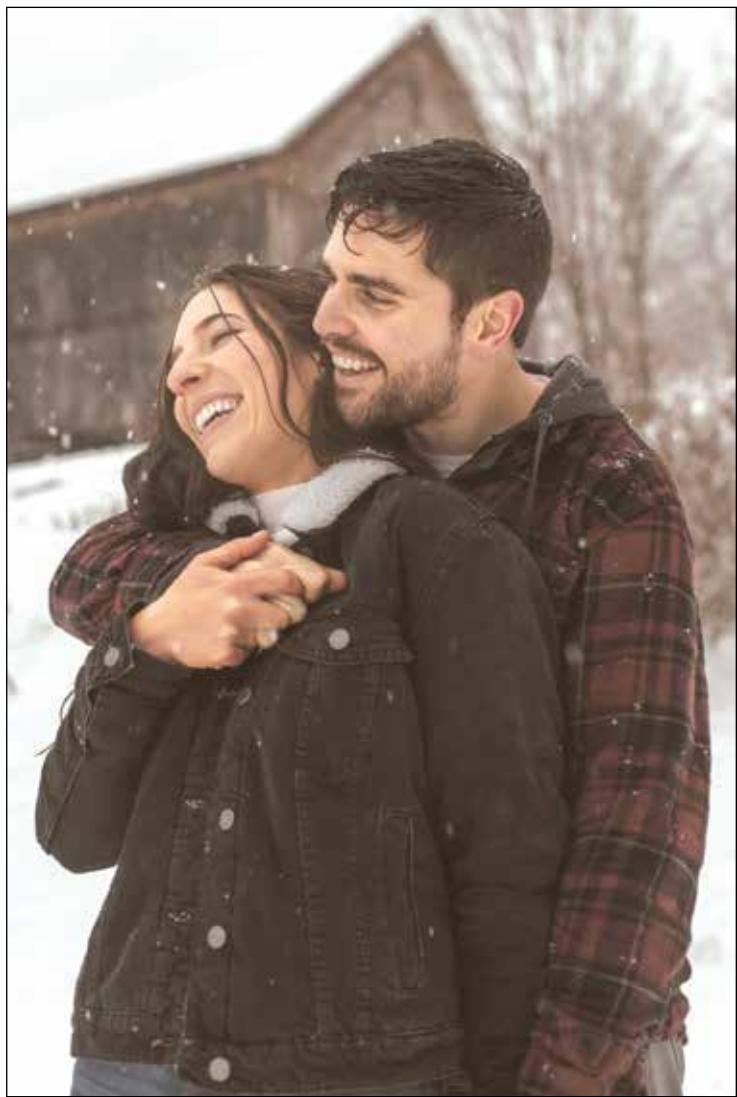
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Abigail Hicks, of Belchertown, will marry Benjamin Clinton in September.

Hicks to marry in September

BELCHERTOWN — Peter and Laura Hicks of Belchertown announce the engagement of their daughter, Abigail Alice, to Benjamin Michael Clinton. His parents are Michael and Karen Clinton of Feeding Hills, Massachusetts.

Abigail Hicks was home schooled and graduated from UMass majoring in English. During summers she would work at Six Flags in Agawam. She is now a flight attendant with Delta

Airlines.

Clinton went to Agawam high school and graduated from Fitchburg State University majoring in communications and minoring in music. He, too, worked at Six Flags during summers and is currently the Web Content Communications Coordinator Six Flags Corporate.

A Sept. 25, 2021 wedding is planned at the Adzima farm in Belchertown and the couple will honeymoon in Hawaii.

GRANBY *Graduates*



The Class of 2021 emerges from the cafeteria to head to their ceremony.



Valedictorian Emily Vallee addresses her classmates.



Class Treasurer Michael Flaherty presents the Class Gift.



Class President Jenna Learned gives her speech.

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for the class.

"You lost time with each other," said Sullivan. "Sporting events, and memories, along with many family members and loved ones. But don't let the loss consume you. Turn it into strength."

Each year, the graduating class elects a special speaker to deliver a commencement. Kelly Ingraham, a social studies teacher in her third year at Granby High, and a former graduate of the school, was the selected speaker.

She reflected on the difficult year as well, but let her students know that the life lessons do not stop when high school is over.

"I have learned that instead of 'it is what it is,'" said Ingraham. "It is what I make it."

She also said that failures will build character, and that good things do not come easily.

Senior Class President Jenna Learned said the Class of 2021's technology prowess is probably among the best in recent history thanks to the constant online learning and transitions to other forms of communication during the pandemic.

"The future is tech and we already have a head start," said Learned.

The Granby High School graduation featured 54 graduates, all who had the opportunity



GHS faculty applaud as the graduates make their way out.

tunity to be presented their diplomas by members of their families.

To accommodate a more open-air atmosphere, the event was held in the parking lot to the right of the school building. Due to some early rain, the graduation had to be delayed for two hours. But the sun came shining mid-way through the ceremony.

There were no capacity or mask rules,

and guests to the graduation brought lawn chairs to watch the event from.

Valedictorian Emily Vallee looked back at her four years at the school with fond memories. She said Granby was a place for everyone.

"I appreciate the moments and am excited for the moments to come," she said.



Eric Rakowski receives his diploma.



Natalie Furman shakes hands as she goes to receive her diploma.

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Steven Torres, Jr. and Jaiden Summerlin.



The band plays "Pomp and Circumstances."



The graduates line up for the procession.



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Michael Flaherty makes his way down the line.



Jaylynn Garcia gets ready to graduate.



The GHS faculty await the graduates.

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Orioles mercy Tigers

TIM PETERSON
Sports Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY— On South Hadley's senior day, Belchertown baseball spoiled the celebration by posting a 12-0 shutout victory at Landers Diamond ruining the Tigers senior day celebration. The game a couple of weeks ago ended after five innings due to the ten-run mercy rule.

"There is a different type of a buzz on senior day. There is usually a pregame ceremony honoring the seniors and it takes you out of your normal routine," said first-year Belchertown head coach Evan Berneche following last Wednesday's game. "South Hadley hit the ball very well and beat us on our senior day. We played our style of baseball in today's game and were able to come out on top."

The Orioles, who improved their season record to 6-5, scored 12 runs on 12 base hits in the second meeting of the season between the Hampshire West League rivals.

The Tigers had a 4-6 overall record following the home loss.

"It has been a roller coaster season for us this year," said longtime South Hadley head coach Matt Foley. "We fell behind early in today's game and just put a lot of pressure on ourselves. We're just trying to get better in every game and we're looking forward to playing in the postseason tournament."

Nine years ago, the Tigers entered the Western Mass. Division 2 tournament with a below .500 record and wound up



Ryan Gaughan makes an off-balance throw.



Ray Toth slides into home.

Rams remain perfect

GRANBY — With three more wins during the past week, the Granby High School baseball team is a perfect 12-0 and should earn a top seed in the upcoming tournament. Granby defeated Ware 6-1 and Monson 7-3 last week in order to finish off a perfect regular season.



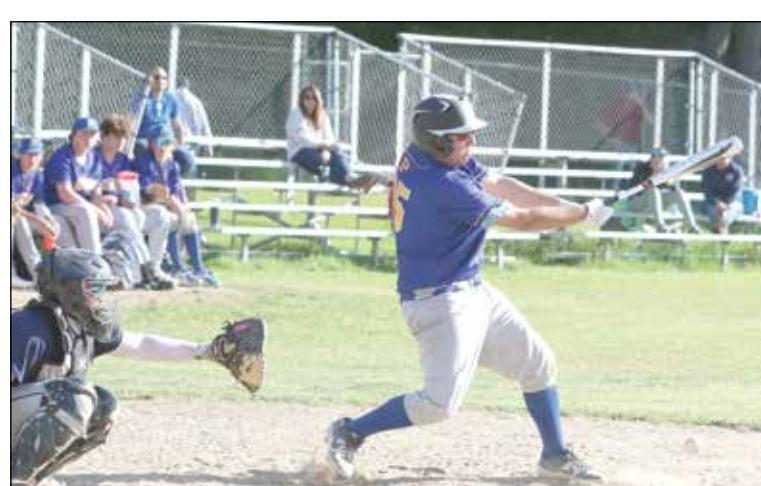
Nolan Sullivan fires a throw to first base.



Colin Kennedy pitches for the Rams against Palmer last week.



Jeremy Bouthiller makes a throw over to first base.



Colby Kokosa swings and hits a ground ball to third.

Pathfinder season nears conclusion

PALMER — The Pathfinder Regional baseball team continues to near its end. The Pioneers have had a tough season, struggling to score runs and pick up wins. The Pioneers hoped to end their season on a positive note when they faced Smith Vocational on Tuesday, June 15 at 4 p.m.



Thomas Swift makes a catch on a pop-up.



PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI
Jordan Talbot pitches for the Pioneers.

■ SPORTS



Matt Kimball had a win in the NHSTRA event at Monadnock Speedway last weekend.

Kimball, Robie split modified twinbill

WINCHESTER, N.H. — Matt Kimball and Brian Robie split a pair of NHSTRA Modified Quest For The Cup 35-lappers Saturday, June 12, at Monadnock Speedway, but it was the massive round-one wreck that fans will remember.

The Mod Squad took the green 25-cars strong. Matt Kimball led early, with defending Series champ Brian Robie then taking charge before pitting out of the lead on lap ten.

With Kimball, Todd Patnode, and Trevor Bleau racing under a blanket on lap 25, all hell broke loose. Patnode, with a nudge, broke loose out of turn two and shot across the track, triggering a 12-car pile-up. When the dust had settled eight cars were done for the night.

Kimball held strong the rest of the way, sailing under the checkers ahead of Tyler Leary and Cory Plummer to win round one. Patnode, able to pit for repairs, rocketed back to fourth, Cam Sontag in fifth while Robie was dead last in 25th. But he wasn't throwing in the towel.

Scott MacMichael, aboard the Cirillo 7, set a fast pace for the first 11 laps of the nightcap, with Kimball — gunning for a twinbill sweep — then taking charge. Robie, though, was on a mission to salvage his night.

Strong-arming his way to the front — he'd lost his power steering on lap 15 — the Sunapee star blasted to the round-two victory. Geoff Rollins and Patnode — both victims of the first-35 big one — completed the top three. Cameron Sontag, quietly staying out of trouble all night, put together two top-fives.

Chase Curtis scored his first Late Model Sportsman feature win Saturday, coming from row four to take the lead on lap 19 and then hold off his dad, Chris Curtis, to top the night's 25-lapper.

Cole Littlewood led the first seven go-rounds, then giving way to Austin Brehio, who stayed on the point until Curtis took charge. Brehio's bronze finish enabled him to pull even with Cam Curtis atop the LMS points parade.

What a show the Street Stockers put on. Bumps, shoves, rubs and wobbles lap after lap, but never a caution.

Kenny Thompson led the first 17 circuits, with Tim Wenzel then taking over and bringing brother Nate with him. Holding the point the last eight laps, Wenzel was strong in scoring his first win of the season. Brother Nate and three-time 2021 winner Chris Buffone joined him in tro-

phy row.

Fitzwilliam Flyer Gordon Farnum stormed to victory in the Mini Stock 25-lapper.

Taking the lead from Kevin Cormier on lap 19, Farnum padded his points lead with his fourth win of the summer. Cormier was strong in second, and Jeff Asselin came home third.

Fast Eddie Petruskevicius made easy work of winning the Young Guns feature for the second week in a row. Heat race winner Teagan Edson was the runner-up again, with Eddie Gomarla strong in third.

Connor Souza appeared to have won the Exit One Realty Pro Truck Series 55-lapper, but series officials ruled that he'd jumped a late-race restart, awarding Saturday's victory to Lucas Leone. Girard Giordano was second, and Randy Burr third.

Monadnock Speedway returns to action next Saturday, June 19, with the Teddy Bear Pools Street Stock 50-lapper lost to rain a few weeks back leading a full card of NHSTRA racing.

MONADNOCK SPEEDWAY JUNE 12 TOP TENS:

QUEST FOR THE CUP MOD 35-1: Matt Kimball (Bennington, NH), Tyler Leary, Cory Plummer, Todd Patnode, Cameron Sontag, George Helliwell, Kimmy Rivet, Andrew Martell, Scott MacMichael, Dave Salzarulo

QUEST FOR THE CUP MOD 35-2: Brian Robie (Sunapee, NH), Geoff Rollins, Todd Patnode, Matt Kimball, Cameron Sontag, Kimmy Rivet, Kirk Alexander, Mike Smith, Cory Plummer, George Helliwell

LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN: Chase Curtis (Rutland, MA) Chris Curtis, Austin Brehio, Cole Littlewood, Justin Littlewood, Cam Curtis, Dan Comeau, Nancy Muni-Ruot, Jaret Curtis, Robert Hagar

STREET STOCK: Tim Wenzel (Holyoke, MA), Nate Wenzel, Chris Buffone, Rupert Thompson, Jason Kozacka, Hillary Renaud, Paul Smith, Keith Johnson, Chris Lindquist, Scott Wade

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YOUNG GUN: Eddie Petruskevicius, Teagan Edson, Eddie Gomarla, Leilei Daniels, Dominick Stafford

Mutiny pick up another tie

TIM PETERSON
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW — The good news is the New England Mutiny have not suffered a loss in any of their four regular season matches. The bad news is the Mutiny players have only celebrated one victory so far this season. Three of their four matches have ended in 2-2 draws including their June 5 contest against the New Jersey Copa FC which was played before a good size gathering at Lusitano Stadium in Ludlow.

"It doesn't really feel like a tie, it feels more like a loss," said Mutiny head coach Jeb Booth. "We just didn't play as well as we're capable of tonight. We didn't have the same type of energy or the focus. We just didn't play our style."

In order to clinch a berth in the United Women's Soccer playoffs, the Mutiny (1-0-3) will need to finish the regular season in the top four spots of the East Conference standings.

The Mutiny's only victory so far this season was a 6-1 home victory over the CT Rush on May 22.

They're scheduled to play back-to-back road matches this weekend against the other two United Women's Soccer clubs from Massachusetts. The road trip begins with a match-up against the Scorpions SC, who play their home matches at Medway High School, on Friday night. Then they'll be battling the Worcester Smiles at Doyle Field in Leominster the following night.

"We really need to win both of our matches next weekend. I would be disappointed with anything less than that," Booth said. "We have so many ties and we need to start stringing together some victories."

Mutiny forward Hope Santaniello graduated from Agawam High School a couple of hours before the start of last Saturday's home match. Santaniello, who'll be a freshman member of the U.R.I. women's soccer team in the fall, played a key role for the Mutiny during the 2019 season, which ended in the East Conference finals.

The Copa (2-1-1) took a 1-0 lead during the 22nd minute of the



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Lauren Berman of South Hadley gets ready to shoot.



Lily Fabin tries to settle the ball.

first half.

The goal was scored by Kelly Severini, who received a crossing pass from Melanie Cunha before lining a shot into the upper left corner of the net past Mutiny goalie Maddie Murphy.

The Mutiny tied the score at 1-1

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capturing the state title.

The three South Hadley seniors, who were honored during the pregame ceremony are Jaycob Santiago, John Sherwood, and Grady Provost.

"It's been a difficult season for our seniors because they didn't get to play baseball last year," Foley said. "Jaycob is a first-year varsity player. John was our starting pitcher today and he did his best out there. Grady has been a member of the varsity baseball team since he was a freshman. He's our captain this year."

Provost will be continuing his baseball career next year at Salve Regina University, which qualified for the NCAA Division 3 tournament this spring.

The six Orioles seniors, who received their high school diplomas the following day are John Gelinas, Austin Endelos, Jake Delaney, Tyler Laramee, Ryan Zawistowski, and Matt Roy.

The home fans didn't have very much to cheer about following the pregame ceremony.

The visiting team took control of the game by scoring five runs in the top of the first inning.

"Anytime you can put two, three, four or five runs on the board early, it's always very important," Berneche said. "Having an early lead also helped our starting pitcher get comfortable on the mound."

Sophomore left-hander Brady Perkins, who was the Orioles starter, improved his season record to 3-0. Perkins pitched all five innings and allowed five singles. He walked three and struck out five. He threw a total of 79 pitches.

The Orioles held a 5-0 lead before Perkins threw his first pitch of the game.

Junior third baseman Eli Sayball-Wimmer (3-for-4) drove home the Orioles first run with a ground ball single into left field.

The second run crossed the plate on a sacrifice fly to left by junior DH Tim Mitus, who also had a pair of base hits and a walk in the game. Junior centerfielder Andrew Fijal, who singled, scored on a wild pitch. The other two runs came home on singles by

six minutes later when forward Lauren Berman was taken down in the box by a Copa player and was awarded a PK by the referee. Berman, who played college soccer at Boston College and is currently an assistant coach for the Harvard women's soccer team, fired a low shot into the back of the net past Copa goalie Isabella Castagnetti.

Berman, who's a first-year Mutiny player, also contributed on the go-ahead goal during the 42nd minute. She sent a crossing pass into the box from the right sideline and center forward Catherine Barry headed it into the left corner of the net past the goalie.

Barry, who recently completed her freshman season as a member of the University of South Carolina women's soccer team, scored her fifth goal in just three games with the Mutiny.

"Cat has been a great addition and we love having her on our team this year," Booth said. "She's a very strong soccer player and plays the game with a lot of confidence. She's our leading goal

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Zawistowski, who was the starting catcher, and Delaney, who started at first base.

South Hadley junior Aidan Sullivan and Provost drew back-to-back walks leading off the bottom of the first. Junior DH Tyler Evans also reached base on a fielder's choice play, but Perkins got out of that jam without giving up any runs.

Sophomore second baseman Tyler McDonald drove home one run in the third and two more in the fourth with singles, which helped the visiting team build a commanding 11-0 lead.

With one-out in the bottom of the fourth inning, Evans and Santiago hit back-to-back singles. Perkins escaped that jam by striking out the next two batters.

The Orioles added another run in the top of the fifth.

Sherwood singled to center leading off the bottom half of the frame and junior second baseman Joe Meon walked with one-out. Just like in the previous frame, Perkins retired the next two batters ending the senior day game two innings early.



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SOUTH HADLEY – Arthur Menard, 91, died Monday June 7, 2021 in his home, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on Sept. 13, 1929 and grew up in South Hadley.

Arthur served in the Korean War. Following in his father's footsteps, Arthur went on to be a successful machinist, owning Colonial Diesel Components in Westfield for more than 20 years. Arthur raised his family in Southampton, and is remembered as a father who taught his daughters that life is about working hard and creating lasting memories together.

Arthur's lifelong love of fishing brought him and his wife, Jeanne to Westerly, RI. He was captain of his boat, the Bali Hai, where years of adventures were had. It was aboard the Bali Hai where Arthur would build lifelong friendships with the gang at Avondale Marina. His family and

friends enjoyed many trips to Block Island, Martha's Vineyard, and all throughout the New England coastline.

Arthur is pre-deceased by his parents, Margaret and Valmore, his wife Jeanne, and sister, Teresa who died at the young age of 7. Arthur leaves his best friend and brother, Gerard Menard of Hardwick and his family, his daughter Cheryl Hislop and her husband Rob of Belchertown and his daughter Gail Flood of Easthampton. He also leaves his grandchildren, Steven George and Jenna Bishop of Belchertown and their spouses Vicki and Mike, Jaclyn Thomas-Kennedy, Michael Thomas and Margaux Flood of California and Jaclyn's wife Meaghan and Michael's wife Anna, and Abigail Flood of Easthampton. As well as his six great grandchildren Louisa, Blake, Vince, Chase, Ansel and Kendall. Arthur

leaves many other loved ones, including his three stepchildren Michael, Lisa and Mark and their families, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Arthur had a special way of making everyone around him feel loved. He adorned many names of endearment over the years; dad, grandpa, uncle, minnow, bib, captain. He lived life to the fullest and took everyone around him along for the ride. He loved fishing, ice sailing, boating, sailing, skiing, and feeding the birds. He was a mastermind for invention and on rainy days, you could find him in his basement creating something new. He did everything with the utmost love, passion and generosity – and never turned down a hug. He lived a life to be proud of and we thank him for the many years of memories, adventures, hugs and kisses. Gone fishing, be back someday.

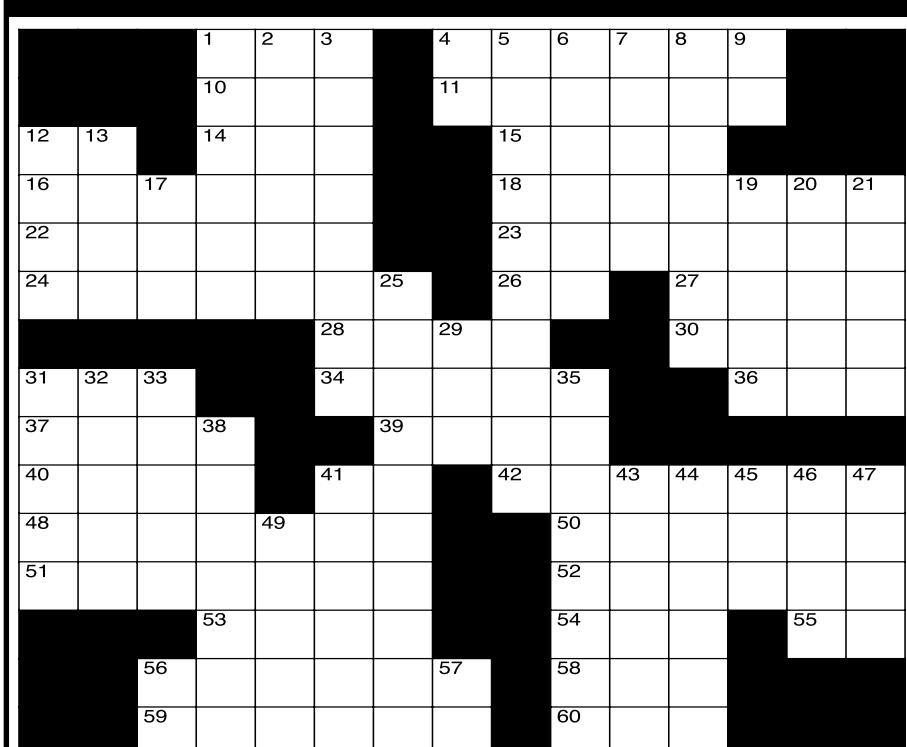
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CISA helps SNAP recipients find where to use HIP benefits

REGION – CISA has launched a new resource to help Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program customers use their SNAP benefits to earn Healthy Incentives Program by buying local produce.

This new, user-friendly map identifies authorized HIP vendors in the Pioneer Valley, and is updated monthly, or as new information comes in about farmers' markets, farm stands, and CSAs (Community Supported Agriculture). This ensures customers have timely, accurate information about HIP businesses where they can buy produce.

"HIP gives Massachusetts SNAP customers an instant rebate when they buy fruits and vegetables from participating local vendors. Because so many of the vendors operate seasonally, there's a real need for HIP customers to be able to find up-to-date information about HIP vendors that are open near them," says Sarah Lucia, the CISA TerraCorps member. The HIP Map, which can be found at buylocalfood.org/hip-map, is accessible via smartphone or laptop. When a user enters their location, a list of HIP businesses open during that month appears, sorted by distance. The listing for each business gives essential information such as hours, address, phone number, email, and website, and a brief description of the business. The customer can see if the business sells vegetables, fruits, or both.

As the busy summer season approaches, the map will continue to be populated with businesses as they open.

HIP customers can earn \$40 to \$80 of extra SNAP every single month at HIP-authorized farmers' markets, farm stands, and CSAs. For HIP customers in the Pioneer Valley, this map will make finding open HIP vendors faster and simpler.

The Healthy Incentives Program is a great benefit available to Massachusetts SNAP recipients. The HIP Map provides another resource to increase the use of HIP across the valley, and to connect customers with the local farmers who grow their food. To learn more about HIP and access the HIP Map, visit buylocalfood.org/hip-map.

CISA is a nationally recognized organization of farmers, community members, and advocates working together to strengthen farms and engage the community to build the local food economy. Working in western Massachusetts and the region for over 25 years, CISA offers assistance to farmers, provides farm shares for low-income seniors, and runs the nation's oldest agricultural "buy local" campaign - "Be a Local Hero, Buy Locally Grown." Find out more about our work to double the amount of local food in our diets at buylocalfood.org or call 413-665-7100. CISA is an equal opportunity provider."

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EDUCATION**College NOTES****Malia MacDonald named to St. Lawrence University's Dean's List**

CANTON, NY – Malia MacDonald from Amherst has been named to St. Lawrence University's Dean's List for achieving academic excellence during the Spring 2021 semester.

MacDonald attended Amherst Regional High School. MacDonald is a member of St. Lawrence's Class of 2022.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

Lasell University students named to Spring 2021 Dean's List

NEWTON – Lasell University students named to the Spring 2021 Dean's List were recognized for their academic performance last semester. Students included were:

Mitchell Bolton of Belchertown
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Students named to the University of Vermont Dean's List

BURLINGTON, VT – To be named to the dean's list, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

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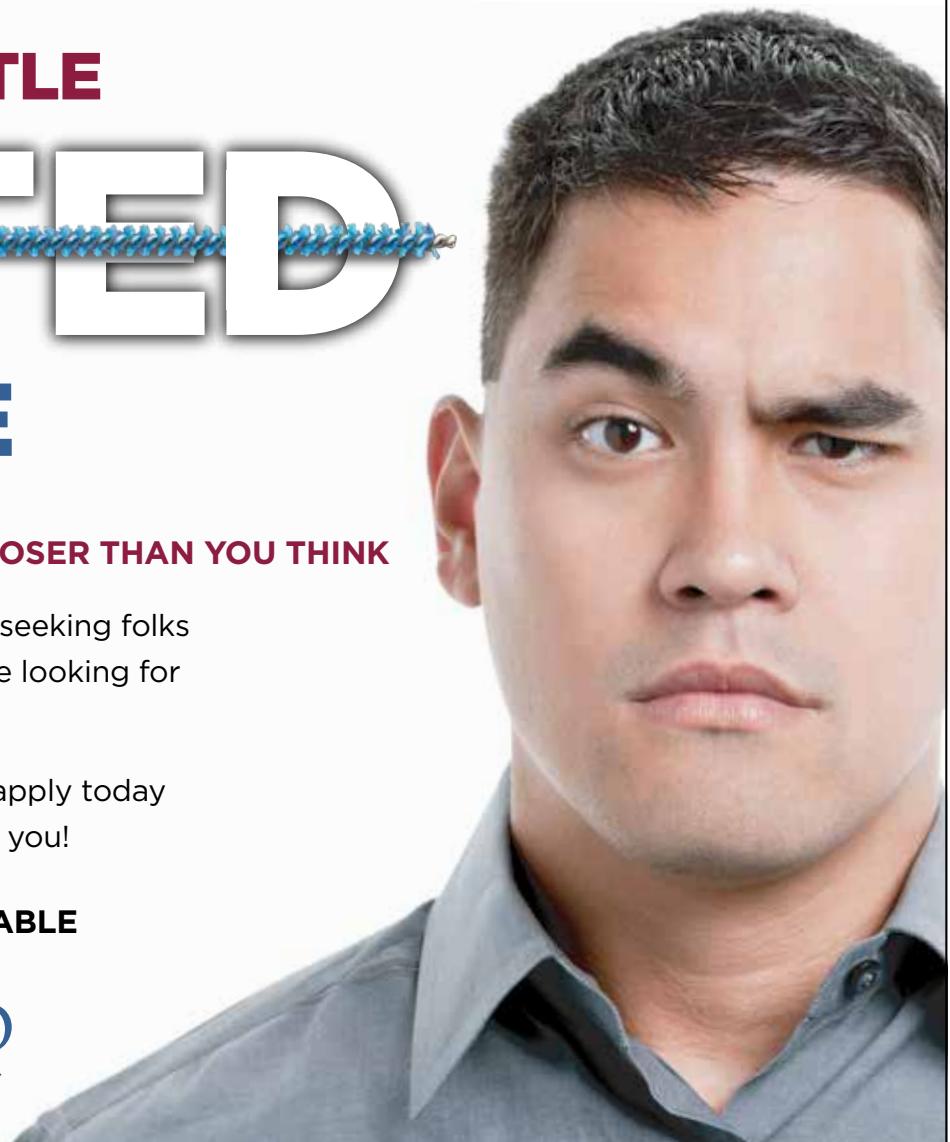
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Docket No. HS21P0262GD

In the interests of
Owen A Pincince
of Belchertown, MA
Minor

NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

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A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **05/07/2021** by **Collette F Pincince** of Belchertown, MA will be held **07/15/2021 12:30 PM**
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2. **Response to Petition:**

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Blue Sox improve 6-3 with win

HOLYOKE – The Valley Blue Sox (6-3) of the NECBL took on the Ocean State Waves (2-6) in their eighth game of the season at MacKenzie Stadium on Sunday night. The Blue Sox pulled through for the win by a score of 4-3.

The game began at 5:05 p.m., with the presenting sponsor, Cindy's Drive-In, providing kiddie cups of their ice cream to the first 250 fans through the gates at MacKenzie Stadium for the 'Sundae's on a Sunday' promotion.

Blue Sox fans enjoyed their ice cream during the beautiful night, where Grant Kipp of Yale University dominated on the mound for the first couple of innings, which went scoreless.

"I'm really happy with this turnout." Said Kipp. "From not playing in the Ivy League this season, it was really nice to get back out there and show what I can do." The Ivy League Council of Presidents decided not to hold league competition or host league championships this past spring,

which included baseball, so this summer season has been the first time post-pandemic in which Kipp and the other Ivy League players have competed.

In the bottom of the fifth, Garrett Shultz of Xavier University had two RBI's, bringing Luke Franzoni (Xavier) and Mason LaPlante (Yale) home to raise the score to 2-0.

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Cat Barry dribbles up the field.



Hope Santaniello picks up a pass and move up the field.



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Laura Govin of Monson makes a pass for the Mutiny.

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scorer."

Barry, who's from Hingham, recorded a hat-trick in her first match as a member of the Mutiny versus the Rush. She watched Berman play soccer at B.C. and she's one of her role models.

"I've been looking up to Lauren Berman since she played soccer at Boston College," Barry said. "She's a great player and it has been so much fun getting the opportunity to play with her the past couple of weeks. It's also an honor to represent a club that has a great history like the New England Mutiny."

Berman played professional soccer in Europe which is something that Barry and

the other younger Mutiny player are inspiring to do in the future.

A current member of the B.C. women's soccer team on this year's Mutiny roster is Laura Gouvin, who's from Monson.

Barry, who graduated from Tabor Academy, was a two-time Massachusetts Girls Gatorade Player of the Year. She described her go-ahead goal.

I saw that Lauren was going to cross the ball to me, so I created a little bit of space," said Barry, who was also a starting center forward for the Gamecocks. "Then I just headed it into the net, which gave us a 2-1 lead. It was very exciting, especially doing it in front of the home crowd."

Murphy made a couple of outstanding

saves in the second half, which helped the Mutiny hold onto the slim 2-1 lead until the 71st minute. That's when a Copa player was fouled in the box and Cunha blasted the PK into the upper right corner.

The home team did have a chance to retake the lead again, but a shot attempted was cleared away by a Copa defender on the goal-line.

Trystin Burger, who's from Granby, replaced Lily Fabian, who's from Monson, with about five minutes remaining in the match.

The Mutiny are hoping to celebrate a couple of victories before returning to the friendly confines of Lusitano Stadium against the Syracuse DA on June 19.

Ugalde named new WMA girls ice hockey coach

WILBRAHAM – Following a national search, Wilbraham & Monson Academy has named former prep and collegiate standout Sara Ugalde as Head Coach of its inaugural Girls' Ice Hockey team. Ugalde will take the helm of the program beginning July 1.

"We are extremely excited to have Sara Ugalde joining WMA to launch our girls hockey program," Head of School Brian P. Easler said. "We feel incredibly fortunate to have found Sara. With her depth of playing and coaching experience in youth leagues, prep school hockey, collegiate and professional hockey, combined with her passion to build this program and grow the sport for girls, we look forward to Sara's impact as the Founding Head Coach of this new program for female WMA scholar-athletes."

A Hockey MVP as a player at Westminster School, Ugalde helped lead Middlebury College to NESCAC Championships in 2011 and 2012. Her experience with collegiate hockey coaching includes Assistant Women's Ice Hockey Coach at Trinity College, Williams College and Colby College. She was Director and Coach of the CT Junior Rangers and Assistant Coach for the NWHL Connecticut Whale, and has helped run multiple hockey camps throughout the country.

"I am extremely excited to join the Wilbraham & Monson Academy community," Ugalde said. "I am thankful and honored for the opportunity to build the Girls Hockey Program. Throughout the entire interview process I was moved by the unified vision and support displayed by members of WMA. After years working at the collegiate level, I am delighted to rejoin the prep school sphere. I am looking forward to finding players that add to the already established excellence at WMA and helping them reach their athletic aspirations."

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The Waves responded quickly with two runs of their own off of an Albert Choi (New Jersey Institute of Technology) hit that went past the fences at MacKenzie Stadium to tie the game at 2-2.

The Waves pulled ahead in the top of the seventh, scoring a run to bring the game to 3-2.

Valley's offensive push began with a Cole Andrews (Miami) at-bat, the Blue Sox' catcher who, on Friday, hit a walk off home run to win the game against the Martha's Vineyard Sharks from behind by a score of 5-4. On Sunday, Andrews sent one high into center field, and got lucky, staying on first base when a Waves outfielder had trouble fielding the ball. LaPlante then made it to first,

which advanced Andrews to second. Then, Shultz sent a highball way out near the fence, which gave Andrews and LaPlante just enough time to run home, making the score 4-3, and tallying Shultz' RBI total at 3.

The rest of the game went scoreless, with the Blue Sox successfully holding onto their lead in the highest attendance game of the 2021 season so far for the Blue Sox.

Whether it was the free ice cream, or the great play, the result of this game made Head Coach Hez Randolph think that he "is doing something right."

"Winning a close one like this makes me feel good, as nervous as I get, because this is my first year doing this. It's a good feeling." He continued.

Pioneers announce 2021 tryouts for all youth teams

LUDLOW — The Western United Pioneers organization has announced the 2021 tryouts. WUP FC is excited to hold 2021-2022 season tryouts. Tryouts are for boys and girls of all age groups (2016 - 2003 birth years). For players born from 2014 - 2017, we welcome you to come

visit our open house to sign up for the Developmental Academy Program (2014-2016) and the First Kick Program (no need to try out for 2017). This registration session will allow you to complete contact information, and sign up for participation. Please read through each

page carefully to ensure that all information is provided accurately. Each player should bring water, a ball, shin guards, and wear a white or grey shirt.

Go to www.westernunitedpioneers.sportngin.com to look for registration information and the full tryout schedule.

Lions Pride clinics return this summer

LUDLOW — Lions Pride Sports Clinics are back. Young inspiring athletes have the opportunity to participate in one or all of our exciting clinics. The 2021 lineup consists of Tennis Session starts June 21, Soccer June 21 to June 25,

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mental skills. For more information log on to lionspridesc.wix.com/lpsc or contact Tim Brillo TBrillo1723@gmail.com. Registration is now online at <https://www.familyid.com/organizations/lions-den-sports-clinics>

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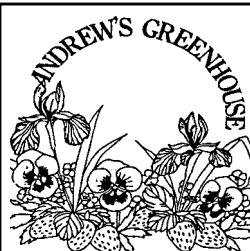
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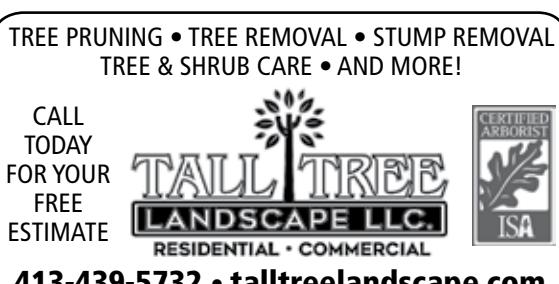


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